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ELECTROSTATIC

DISCHARGE PROTECTION

LARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 12, 2004 (Tuesday After Federal Holiday)

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply to Restriction/Election

Requ	irement in the above-identified application.
	The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450

October 12, 2004

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 10, 2004, the following election and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are now present in this application.

The Examiner has issued an Election of Species Requirement between the following species;

Species 1: Fig. 6;

Species 2: Fig. 8;

Species 3: Fig. 10;